

Appendix B
Public Notices

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**NOTICE OF INTENT / NOTICE OF PREPARATION
OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT /
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT,
NOTICE OF MEETING, AND
REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**

DATE: February 24, 2004

TO: Responsible, Trustee, and Cooperating Agencies
and Interested Parties

FROM: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
U.S. Coast Guard

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Maritime Administration

CALIFORNIA STATE LANDS COMMISSION

PROJECT: Cabrillo Port Liquefied Natural Gas Deepwater Port

APPLICANT: BHP Billiton LNG International, Inc.

PROJECT LOCATION: Ventura and Los Angeles Counties, California

DOCKET #: USCG 2004-16877

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE #: 2004021107

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard and the Maritime Administration (MARAD) announce their intent to prepare a joint environmental impact statement/environmental impact report (EIS/EIR), pursuant to a Memorandum of Agreement with the California State Lands Commission (CSLC), in connection with this application for a proposed liquefied natural gas (LNG) deepwater port (DWP) that would be located approximately 13.9 miles offshore of Ventura County, California. The joint EIS/EIR will be prepared with the CSLC because the applicant has also filed a CSLC land lease application for subsea pipelines through State waters to deliver natural gas to shore. The joint EIS/EIR will meet the requirements of both the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This notice announces public meetings to be held in connection with the joint EIS/EIR, requests public comment on the scope of the joint EIS/EIR, and serves as a notice of preparation (NOP) for the purposes of California law.

DATES: Comments or related material must be received by March 31, 2004, at 2 p.m. Pacific Standard Time. Meeting dates are March 15, 2004, (Oxnard, California) and March 16, 2004 (Malibu, California).

ADDRESSES: The Coast Guard, MARAD, and CSLC will conduct an open house, followed by a public scoping meeting, to receive oral or written testimony at the following times and places:

Monday, March 15, 2004
Oxnard Performing Arts Center
800 Hobson Way
Oxnard, California 93030
(805) 486-2424

Open House: 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Public Scoping Meetings: 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 16, 2004
Malibu High School Auditorium
30215 Morningview Drive
Malibu, California 90265
(310) 457-6801

Open House: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Public Scoping Meeting: 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

All public scoping meeting spaces will be wheelchair-accessible. Individuals may request special accommodations for the public scoping meetings, such as real-time translation. Contact Cy Oggins, CSLC, at (916) 574-1884 or ogginsc@slc.ca.gov if special accommodations are required. Requests should be made as soon as possible but at least three (3) business days before the scheduled meeting. Include the name and telephone number of the contact person, the timelines for requesting accommodations, and a TDD number that can be used by individuals with hearing impairments.

It is not necessary to present comments at more than one meeting. One need not attend a meeting in order to comment. Comments may also be sent using one of the following methods (identify the subject of the comment by using the docket number, USCG-2004-16877):

(1) Electronically through the Web site for the Docket Management System, at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

(2) By mail to the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20590-0001.

(3) By fax to the Docket Management Facility at (202) 493-2251.

(4) By delivery to Room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, D.C., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (202) 366-9329.

The Docket Management Facility maintains the public docket for this notice. Comments and material received from the public will become part of this docket and will

be available for inspection or copying in Room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, D.C., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. This docket may also be found on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

(5) In addition, comments may be made by mail or email to Cy Oggins, California State Lands Commission, 100 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-South, Sacramento, California 95825; ogginsc@slc.ca.gov or electronically through the project Web site at www.cabrilloport.ene.com. Include the docket number, USCG-2004-16877, and State Clearinghouse number. However, if one of these comment submittal methods is used, the comment will also be entered in the Docket Management Facility docket.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information pertaining to the proposed Cabrillo Port Project is available online at <http://dms.dot.gov>, <http://www.slc.ca.gov>, or www.cabrilloport.ene.com. Questions regarding the proposed Project, the license application process, or the EIS/EIR process may be directed to Commander Mark Prescott, USCG, (202) 267-0225 (mprescott@comdt.uscg.mil), Keith Lesnick, MARAD, 202-366-1624 (Keith.Lesnick@marad.dot.gov) or Cy Oggins, CSLC, (916) 574-1884 (ogginsc@slc.ca.gov). Questions regarding viewing or submitting materials to the docket may be directed to Andrea M. Jenkins, Program Manager, Docket Operations, (202) 366-0271.

This public notice may be requested in an alternative format, such as Spanish translation, audiotape, large print, or Braille. Contact Cy Oggins, CSLC, (916) 574-1884 (ogginsc@slc.ca.gov), or visit www.cabrilloport.ene.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Meetings and Request for Comments

As discussed under ADDRESSES, the Coast Guard, MARAD, and CSLC plan to conduct meetings related to preparation of the joint EIS/EIR for the proposed Project. The open houses will be informal opportunities to ask questions and receive information regarding the Project. The public scoping meetings will be structured to provide interested members of the public with an opportunity to present comments regarding the approach and conduct of the environmental analysis. Speakers at the public scoping meetings will be recognized in the following order: elected officials, public agencies, individuals or groups in the sign-up order, and anyone else who wishes to speak. Speakers may be asked to limit their oral comments to three (3) minutes in order to afford everyone an opportunity to speak. Written comments will also be accepted. Please notify Cy Oggins, CSLC, (916) 574-1884 (ogginsc@slc.ca.gov), as soon as possible, but at least three (3) business days before the scheduled meeting, if translation of written materials is required.

The Coast Guard, MARAD, and CSLC also encourage submittal of comments and related material regarding this notice using one of the methods described under

ADDRESSES. The Coast Guard, MARAD, and CSLC are most interested in receiving comments that identify potentially significant impacts, alternatives, or mitigation measures that should be taken into account in determining the scope of the joint EIS/EIR.

Background Information

A notice of application for the proposed Cabrillo Port DWP was published in the Federal Register (FR) on January 27, 2004 (69 FR 3934). Consult that notice for additional information regarding the proposed DWP and the moorings that would be installed on the floor of the Pacific Ocean approximately 13.9 miles offshore of Ventura County, California.

Congress first authorized DWPs in 1974. Federal law (33 United States Code [USC] 1501 et seq.) defines a DWP as any fixed or floating manmade structure other than a vessel, or any group of such structures, that is located beyond State seaward boundaries, and that is used or intended for use as a port or terminal for the transportation, storage, or further handling of oil or natural gas for transportation to any state. All DWPs require Federal licenses, which may be granted or denied by the Maritime Administrator based on an application process administered by the Coast Guard and MARAD. Part of that process involves assessment of the proposed DWP's environmental impact, in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (42 USC 4332), and in consultation with States that are adjacent to the proposed DWP's location. For the purposes of the Cabrillo Port application, California is an adjacent State. The Coast Guard has determined that compliance with the NEPA requires preparation of an EIS. The CSLC has determined that the proposed DWP would need a CSLC land lease for subsea pipelines through State waters to deliver the natural gas to shore, and that compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires preparation of an EIR. Because of the many similarities between an EIS and an EIR, the Coast Guard (in coordination with MARAD) and CSLC have agreed to cooperate in preparing a single document that can satisfy both the NEPA and the CEQA. For the State of California's purposes, this notice serves as an NOP, notice of public scoping meetings, and request for comments.

Proposed Action

The Applicant is proposing to construct and operate an offshore floating storage and regasification unit (FSRU) that would be moored in Federal waters approximately 13.9 miles offshore of Ventura County in 2,900 feet of water. As proposed, LNG from the Pacific basin would be delivered by tanker to, and offloaded onto, the FSRU; regasified; and delivered onshore via two new 21.1-mile- (33.8-kilometer-) long, 24-inch-diameter natural gas pipelines laid on the ocean floor. These pipelines would come onshore at Ormond Beach near Oxnard, Ventura County. New 14.9-mile- (24-kilometer-) and 7.4-mile- (11.9-kilometer-) long pipeline loops would also be constructed to connect the offshore pipeline with the existing Southern California Gas Company intrastate pipeline system to distribute natural gas throughout the Southern California region. The

facilities would be designed to deliver a peak of up to 1.5 billion cubic feet per day (bcf/d), with an anticipated average rate of 0.6 to 0.9 bcf/d.

The DWP's offloading facilities would be designed to accommodate LNG carriers ranging in capacity from 100,000 to 220,000 cubic meters (m^3). The FSRU would be permanently moored, and would use a turret system (a tower-like revolving structure) to allow the FSRU to weathervane (rotate) around a fixed point. The FSRU, which would be designed for loading LNG from a side-by-side, moored LNG tanker, would be shaped like another vessel, double-sided, double-bottomed, and 938 feet (286 meters) long and 213 feet (65 meters) wide, with a displacement of approximately 190,000 deadweight tons.

Ships would be berthed and unloaded on the starboard side of the FSRU. The FSRU would store LNG in three Moss spherical tanks. Each tank would have a 91,000- m^3 LNG storage capacity, and the total FSRU LNG storage capacity would be 273,000 m^3 . Onboard utilities and systems associated with FSRU operations would include electric power generation and distribution, instrumentation and controls, and fire and safety systems. According to the applicant, the DWP would include all marine systems, communications, navigation aids, and equipment necessary to safely conduct LNG carrier operations and receive product. This will be independently analyzed in the EIS/EIR.

A 200-foot- (60.9-meter-) wide right-of-way would be set aside for the construction, with permanent rights-of-way in all offshore areas in which the 24-inch (0.762-meter) pipelines would be laid. The submarine pipelines would be buried from the 13-meter water depth approximately 0.3 mile (0.48 kilometer) offshore to its landfall at Ormond Beach within the city limits of Oxnard, and would be installed using the horizontal directional drilling technique. The underground pipelines would pass beneath Ormond Beach east of the Reliant Ormond Beach Generating Station in Oxnard. Gas would be metered at a small facility located inland approximately 0.4 mile (0.64 kilometer). The facility would include a metering station, pig launcher/receiver, and odorant station. The onshore pipeline would continue through Ventura County into Los Angeles County. It would be constructed mainly adjacent to existing rights-of-way.

The Coast Guard and CSLC intend to prepare a joint EIS/EIR consistent, with the Deepwater Port Act (DWPA) of 1974, as amended (33 USC 1501 et seq.); the NEPA (Section 102[2][c]), as implemented by Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 Code of Federal Regulations 1500 to 1508); DOT Order 5610.1C ("Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts"); Coast Guard policy (Commandant's Instruction M16475.1D); and the CEQA (California Public Resources Code §§ 21000 et seq.) as implemented by the State CEQA Guidelines (14 California Code of Regulations §§ 15000 et seq.).

The environmental review and analysis will be performed according to the timeline prescribed by the DWPA. These activities must be completed within 356 days. The period to complete all NEPA/CEQA documents is approximately 240 days. This

timeline will govern the activities related to the processing of the license application and the completion of all NEPA- and CEQA-related actions needed to support the decision regarding whether to approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove the proposed license/lease.

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

The NEPA and CEQA require agencies to consider environmental impacts that may result from a proposed action, to inform the public of potential impacts and alternatives, and to facilitate public involvement in the assessment process. The EIS/EIR for Cabrillo Port will describe in detail the nature and extent of the environmental impacts of the proposed action and each alternative, and will discuss appropriate mitigation measures for any adverse impacts. The EIS/EIR will include, among other matters, discussions of the purpose and need for the proposed action, a description of alternatives, a description of the affected environment, an evaluation of the environmental impacts of the proposed action and alternatives, and explanations of proposed mitigation. The EIS/EIR will assess the impacts of the alternatives on the natural and human environment, including approving or not approving (no-action alternative) the license application to construct and operate the DWP.

The EIS/EIR will consider a reasonable range of alternatives, including the no-action/no project alternative, which for this Project would mean that MARAD would not approve the application for the DWP and CSLC would not approve the application for the lease of the subsea pipelines right-of-way.

Environmental issues that will require detailed analysis include, but are not necessarily limited to:

Aesthetics

- Alteration of the viewshed by construction and operations.

Air Quality

- Impacts on regional air quality, including visibility and other resources in sensitive Federal Class I areas (e.g., Channel Islands National Park).

Geological Resources and Soils

- Impacts on facilities from seismic hazards;
- Impacts on onshore facilities from liquefaction;
- Erosion and dust; and
- Sand migration and scour at Ormond Beach.

Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT)

- Impacts from HAZMAT spills (including petroleum, LNG, hydrocarbons, fuels, lubricant, urea, paints, solvents, and sanitary waste).

Marine Transportation

- Disruption in marine transportation, adversely affecting existing ship traffic to and from the ports of Port Hueneme and Oxnard;
- Potential navigational hazards to marine traffic; and
- An increase in tanker travel to and from the FSRU, which could disrupt marine traffic to local ports or harbors.

Marine Biology

- Vessels potentially striking sea turtles and marine mammals;
- Crushing and displacement of benthic communities during construction; and
- Effects of increases in turbidity and changes in water quality, lights, and noise.

Recreation

- Impacts on boating and commercial and recreational fishing opportunities;
- Recreational areas possibly being impacted by noise and/or dust generated during construction;
- Access to the beach or ocean; and
- Permanent and temporary areas of restricted access around the FSRU.

Hazards and Risk / Safety

- LNG releases resulting in potential impacts on third parties from fire, radiant energy, or ignitable gas clouds (mainly to passengers of small craft operating near the FSRU);
- Effects of “cold water” resulting from LNG release to marine mammals; and
- Effects of pipeline failures on humans, property, and marine and terrestrial ecosystems.

The EIS/EIR will include an independent, site-specific risk assessment.

Noise

- Potential increases in noise levels due to project construction and operation; and
- Effects of noise on local residents, recreationists, passengers and crews on marine vessels, and marine mammals.

Terrestrial and Freshwater Biology

- Impacts from construction or operation on wetlands and other habitats, and sensitive species, within the proposed pipeline landing and corridor areas.

Water Quality

- Impacts from LNG or HAZMAT spills, increases in turbidity, or unearthing of contaminated sediments; and
- Increases in shoreline erosion during construction and operation.

Environmental Justice

- Potential disproportionate effects on minority and low-income populations within the Project area.

The EIS/EIR will identify any relevant populations that might be disproportionately affected by the proposed Project, and ensure that a range of reasonable alternatives is identified.

Agricultural Resources

- Disruption of existing farmland and prime farmland located in the Ormond Beach area and along the onshore pipeline rights-of-way.

Cultural Resources

- Potential adverse and cumulative adverse effects on existing and as yet unidentified cultural resources, offshore and onshore.

Energy and Mineral Resources

- Restriction of future availability of exploitable oil and gas resources (and associated government royalties) due to infrastructure development and restricted access.

Land Use and Traffic

- Conflicts with existing land uses, especially in coastal areas designated for recreational purposes (Ormond Beach);
- Impacts on farmland and agricultural areas in Oxnard;
- Impacts on marine resources off the coast of Oxnard, including the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary and Channel Islands National Park; and
- Disruptions to traffic use and patterns.

Population and Housing

- Impacts on the existing community character and development, population, housing, infrastructure and social services, employment, and the regional economic base.

Cumulative Impacts: The EIS/EIR will evaluate the cumulative effects of the Project associated with each environmental issue area. These include the incremental effects of past projects, other current projects, and probable future projects, including the offshore LNG facility proposed by Crystal Energy and the Sound Energy Solutions LNG project proposed for the Port of Long Beach, along with the cumulative effects of other major projects in the area.

No-Action/No Project Alternative: The EIS/EIR will examine the impacts of not approving the DWP license application.

Alternative Offshore Locations: The EIS/EIR will consider an alternative location in the vicinity of the proposed Project, and other locations adjacent to the California coast. Local alternatives include sites near the Santa Barbara Channel and Anacapa Island.

Land-Based Alternatives: The California Legislature mandated the evaluation of land-based LNG sites. Land-based alternatives previously considered by California agencies will be considered again, including sites at Point Conception and Camp Pendleton.

Alternative Technologies: Alternative Project technologies, including open-rack vaporizers and alternative floating facility designs, also will be evaluated.

Alternative Pipeline Routes: The EIS/EIR will also evaluate an alternative submarine pipeline route and an alternative onshore pipeline route.

The major Federal and State permit, approval, and consultation requirements for Cabrillo Port include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:

FEDERAL

- DOT/MARAD — DWP license;
- DHS/U.S. Coast Guard — DWP license;
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) — Title V Federal operating permit and Prevention of Significant Deterioration preconstruction review;
- EPA — Clean Water Act (CWA) stormwater and wastewater discharge permits;
- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation — Section 106, National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA);
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) — Waterways permit under Section 404, CWA;
- USACE — Section 10, Rivers and Harbors Act;
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service — Section 7, Endangered Species Act (ESA);
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), NOAA Fisheries — Section 7, ESA;
- NOAA Fisheries — Magnuson-Stevens Fishery and Conservation and Management Act;
- NOAA Fisheries — Marine Mammal Protection Act; and
- Federal Communication Commission — Telecommunications license.

CALIFORNIA

- CSLC — Right-of-way lease;
- California Coastal Commission — Compliance with California Coastal Act and consistency with California Coastal Management Program;
- California Department of Transportation — Encroachment permits;
- Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) — CWA Section 401 certification;
- Los Angeles RWQCB — Hydrostatic test water discharge permit;
- California Department of Fish and Game — California ESA consultation and stream alteration agreements; and
- State Historic Preservation Officer — Section 106 NHPA consultation.

Availability of EIS/EIR

A notice of availability (NOA) will be published in the Federal Register when the draft EIS/EIR is available, and CSLC will issue notices of availability and completion. The draft EIS/EIR in hard-copy or electronic format will be distributed to agencies and interested parties that have requested copies. Anyone who wishes to comment on the draft report will be provided with an opportunity to review the draft EIS/EIR and to offer comments on the environmental effects of the Project. Comments received during the draft EIS/EIR review period will be available in the public docket and responded to in the final EIS/EIR. An NOA of the final EIS/EIR will also be published in the Federal Register, and CSLC will issue notices of availability and completion.

Dated:

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Commission

Attachments:

Figure 1

Figure 2

Figure 3

Form A

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

SCH # 2004021107

Mail to: State Clearinghouse, PO Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 916/445-0613

Project Title: Cabrillo Port Liquefied Natural Gas Deepwater Port

Lead Agency: California State Lands Commission

Contact Person: Cy R. Oggins

Street Address: 100 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-South

Phone: (916) 574-1884

City: Sacramento, CA

Zip: 95825

County: Sacramento

Project Location:

County: Offshore and in Ventura/Los Angeles Co.

City/Nearest Community: Oxnard & Santa Clarita

Cross Streets: Numerous (see Draft EIS/EIR)

Zip Code:

Total Acres:

Assessor's Parcel No.

Section:

Twp.

Range:

Base:

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #:

Waterways:

Airports:

Railways:

Schools:

Document Type:

CEQA:

☐ NOP☐ Early Cons☐ Neg Dec☒ Draft EIR☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR☐ (Prior SCH No.)☐ Other

NEPA:

☐ NOI☐ EA☒ Draft EIS☐ FONSI

Other:

☐ Joint Document☐ Final Document☐ Other

Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update☐ General Plan Amendment☐ General Plan Element☐ Community Plan☐ Specific Plan☐ Master Plan☐ Planned Unit Development☐ Site Plan☐ Rezone☐ Prezone☐ Use Permit☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)☐ Annexation☐ Redevelopment☒ Coastal Permit☒ Other To be determined

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units _____ Acres _____☐ Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____☐ Educational☐ Recreational☐ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____☐ Transportation: Type _____☐ Mining: Mineral _____☐ Power: Type _____ Watts _____☐ Waste Treatment: Type _____☐ Hazardous Waste: Type _____☒ Other: LNG Deepwater Port and associated pipelines

Funding (approx.):

Federal \$ _____

State \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual☒ Agricultural Land☒ Air Quality☒ Archeological/Historical☒ Coastal Zone☐ Drainage/Absorption☒ Economic/Jobs☐ Fiscal☐ Flood Plain/Flooding☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard☒ Geologic/Seismic☐ Minerals☒ Noise☒ Population/Housing Balance☒ Public Services/Facilities☒ Recreation/Parks☐ Schools/Universities☐ Septic Systems☐ Sewer Capacity☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading☒ Solid Waste☒ Toxic/Hazardous☒ Traffic/Circulation☒ Vegetation☒ Water Quality☒ Water Supply/Groundwater☒ Wetland/Riparian☒ Wildlife☒ Growth Inducing☒ Landuse☒ Cumulative Effects☒ Other Environmental Justice

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Multiple

Project Description:

Construction/operation of: LNG deepwater port ~ 14 miles (12.2 NM) offshore Ventura/Los Angeles Co. line in 2,900' of water; two 24"-diameter natural gas pipelines laid 21.1 miles on seafloor plus 1-mile via HDD and onshore trenching to Reliant Energy Ormond Beach Generating Station; and 4.3- & 7.7-mile-long pipeline loops and related facilities to connect to existing SoCalGas infrastructure.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

Form A, continued

KEY

S = Document sent by lead agency

X = Document sent by SCH

✓ = Suggested distribution

✓ Resources Agency

_____ Boating & Waterways

S _____ Coastal Commission

S _____ Coastal Conservancy

_____ Colorado River Board

✓ _____ Conservation

SS _____ Fish & Game *Region 5 & Marine Region*

_____ Forestry & Fire Protection

✓ _____ Office of Historic Preservation

✓ _____ Parks & Recreation

_____ Reclamation Board

_____ S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission

✓ _____ Water Resources (DWR)

Business, Transportation & Housing

_____ Aeronautics

_____ California Highway Patrol

✓ _____ CALTRANS District # 7, *Planning*

_____ Department of Transportation Planning (headquarters)

_____ Housing & Community Development

Food & Agriculture

Health & Welfare

✓ _____ Health Services

State & Consumer Services

_____ General Services

_____ OLA (Schools)

Environmental Protection Agency

✓ _____ Air Resources Board

_____ California Waste Management Board

_____ SWRCB: Clean Water Grants

_____ SWRCB: Delta Unit

✓ _____ SWRCB: Water Quality

_____ SWRCB: Water Rights

✓ _____ Regional WQCB # 4 (*Los Angeles*)

Youth & Adult Corrections

_____ Corrections

Independent Commissions & Offices

S _____ Energy Commission

✓ _____ Native American Heritage Commission

S _____ Public Utilities Commission

✓ _____ Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy

✓ _____ State Lands Commission

_____ Tahoe Regional Planning Agency

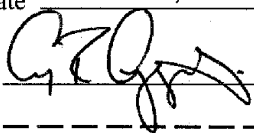
_____ Other _____

Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date October 29, 2004

Ending Date December 20, 2004 2 p.m. PST

Signature



Date October 29, 2004

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

Consulting Firm: Ecology and Environment, Inc.

Address: 350 Sansome St. #300

City/State/Zip: San Francisco, CA 94104

Contact: Cheryl Karpowicz

Phone: (415) 981-2811

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Date Received at SCH _____

Date Review Starts _____

Date to Agencies _____

Date to SCH _____

Clearance Date _____

Notes:

Applicant: BHP Billiton LNG International Inc.

Address: 300 Esplanade Suite 1800

City/State/Zip: Oxnard, CA 93036

Phone: (805) 604-2790



DRAFT
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
CABRILLO PORT DEEPWATER PORT
DEEPWATER PORT LICENSE APPLICATION

Location: Federal waters approximately 12.2 nautical miles (14 statute miles or 22.4 kilometers) offshore of Ventura County in 2,900 feet (884 meters) of water.

Docket Number: USCG-2004-16877

State Clearinghouse Number: 2004021107

Prepared by: The lead agencies, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), the Maritime Administration (MARAD), and the California State Lands Commission, and their contractor, Ecology and Environment, Inc.

Contact Information: Ken Kusano (G-MSO-5), 2100 Second Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20593-0001, (202)267-1184, kkusano@comdt.uscg.mil and Cy Oggins, California State Lands Commission, 100 Howe Ave., Suite 100-South, Sacramento, CA 95825-8202, (916) 574-1884, ogginsc@slc.ca.gov.

Abstract: The Applicant proposes to construct and operate an offshore floating storage and regasification unit (FSRU) that would be moored in Federal waters offshore of Ventura County. As proposed, liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the Pacific basin would be delivered by an LNG Carrier to and offloaded onto, the FSRU; re-gasified; and delivered onshore via two new 21.1 mile (33.8-kilometer), 24 inch (0.6 meters) diameter natural gas pipelines laid on the ocean floor. These pipelines would come onshore at Ormond Beach near Oxnard, California to connect through proposed new onshore pipelines to the existing Southern California Gas Company intrastate pipeline system to distribute natural gas throughout the Southern California region. The facilities would be designed to deliver a peak of up to 800 million cubic feet (22.7 million cubic meters) per day.

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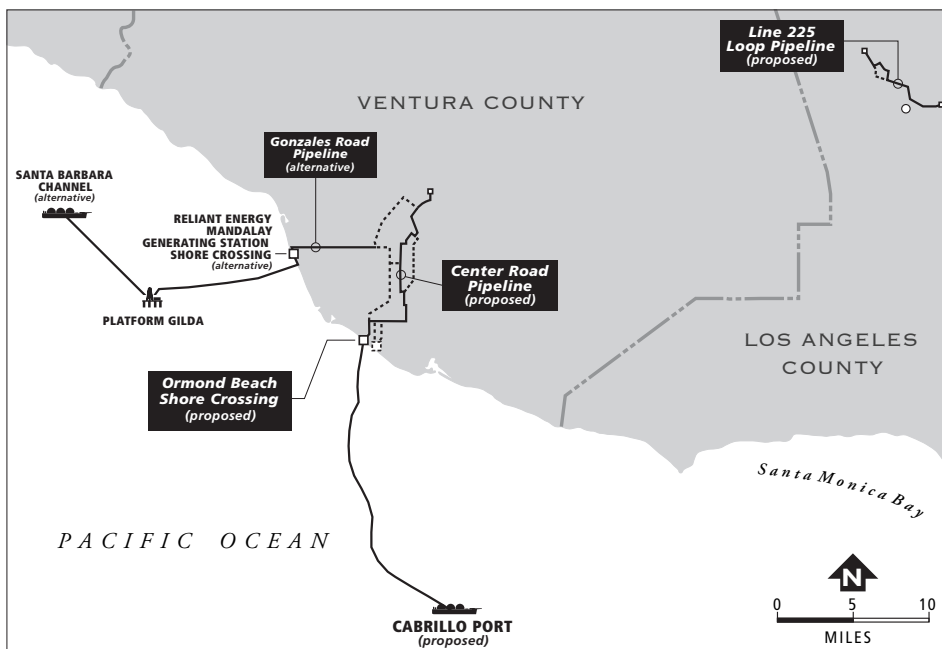
Date Comments Must be Submitted by: December 20, 2004

Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the Cabrillo Port Liquefied Natural Gas Deepwater Port

October 2004

The United States Coast Guard (USCG), Maritime Administration (MARAD), and California State Lands Commission (CSLC) have prepared a joint environmental impact statement/environmental impact report (EIS/EIR) for the Cabrillo Port Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Deepwater Port. The proposed project includes a floating LNG storage and regasification unit located 14 miles offshore and related onshore facilities and pipelines in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties, California.

No decisions will be made about the project until after the environmental review process has been completed in 2005. The USCG, MARAD, and CSLC welcome your comments on the draft EIS/EIR.



The agencies will hold an open house followed by a public hearing to receive oral and/or written comments on the draft EIS/EIR at the following times and places (*Las agencias tendrán audiencias públicas seguidas de reuniones de evaluación sobre el bosquejo EIS/EIR para recibir testimonios orales o escritos en los tiempos y los lugares siguientes*):

Monday, November 29, 2004

Location: The Century Room (open house) and City Council Chambers (for comments)

23920 Valencia Blvd., Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Open House: 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., and

Hearing: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Telephone: (661) 259-2489

Tuesday, November 30, 2004

Location: Oxnard Performing Arts Center
800 Hobson Way, Oxnard, CA 93030

Open Houses: 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Hearings: 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Telephone: (805) 486-2424

Wednesday, December 1, 2004

Location: Webster Elementary School Cafetorium, Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District
3602 Winter Canyon, Malibu, CA 90265

Open House: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Hearing: 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Telephone: (310) 456-6494

To receive a copy of the draft EIS/EIR or other information:

- For quickest service go to:
www.cabrilloport.ene.com

where the draft EIS/EIR will be posted and available for download. You can also provide your comments at this website, or, if you do not have internet access,

Contact either:

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- **Lieutenant Ken Kusano**
U.S. Coast Guard
tel: (202) 267-1184
e-mail: kkusano@comdt.uscg.mil

Para ayuda en español, lláme a Adrienne Fink a (415) 981-2811, ext. 232. O para servicio mas rápido visite **www.cabrilloport.ene.com**

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/PUBLIC HEARINGS

ON A REVISED DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 15087, Title 14, Cal. Code Regulations, this is to advise that the California State Lands Commission (CSLC) has completed a Revised Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed project described below:

Project Title: Cabrillo Port Liquefied Natural Gas Deepwater Port

Project Location: In Federal waters, 2,900 feet (884 meters) deep, 12.01 nautical miles (13.83 miles) offshore Ventura/Los Angeles Counties.

Project Description: Installation and operation of a floating storage and regasification unit (FSRU), installation and operation of two 24" natural gas pipelines, 22.77 statute miles in length, from the FSRU to the Reliant Energy facility at Ormond Beach, and construction and operation of two onshore natural gas pipelines and related facilities – the Center Road Pipeline (14.7 miles) in Oxnard, Ventura County and Line 225 Loop Pipeline (7.7 miles) in Santa Clarita, Los Angeles County - for distribution of natural gas through existing infrastructure of Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas).

Contact Person: Dwight E. Sanders, telephone: (916) 574-1880

The staff of the CSLC has determined that modifications to the Cabrillo Port LNG Deepwater Port Project constitute significant new information pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), specifically within the meaning of section 15088.5, State CEQA Guidelines; therefore, the CSLC is re-circulating a Revised Draft EIR. The United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the Maritime Administration (MARAD) have determined that recirculation of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not necessary to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other applicable Federal regulations. Nonetheless, the USCG will attend the public hearings, consider all comments received on the Revised Draft EIR, and continue to cooperate with the CSLC to prepare a joint Final EIS/EIR.

The Revised DEIR was submitted to the State Clearinghouse on March 13, 2006. Comments on the Revised DEIR must reach the CSLC at the above address on or before April 28, 2006, at 4:00 PM. Pacific Daylight Savings Time. Please address any written comments to the attention of Dwight E. Sanders, California State Lands Commission, 100 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-South, Sacramento, CA 95825 and include the State Clearinghouse number: 2004021107. Comments may also be submitted via email to: BHPRevisedDEIR@slc.ca.gov. All comments received will be transmitted to the USCG/MARAD for posting to the Federal Document Management system under docket number USCG-2004-16877.

A copy of the document or a CD in either English or Spanish may be requested from:

California State Lands Commission
Division of Environmental Planning and Management
100 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-South
Sacramento, CA 95825-8202
(916) 574-1880

The document may also be viewed or downloaded via the CSLC website at <http://slc.ca.gov> and at <http://www.cabrilloport.ene.com>.

Public Hearings and Request for Comments: The CSLC will conduct public hearings to receive oral or written comments on the Revised DEIR at the following times and locations:

Santa Clarita, CA

Date: Monday April 17, 2006; 6:30 – 9:00 PM
Location: Santa Clarita Activities Center, Santa Clarita Room
20870 Centre Pointe Parkway
Santa Clarita, CA

Malibu, CA

Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2006, 6:30 – 9:30 PM
Location: Malibu High School Auditorium
30215 Morningview Dr.
Malibu, CA

Oxnard, CA

Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2006; 1:00 – 4:00 PM
Location: Performing Arts Center, Oxnard Room
800 Hobson Way
Oxnard, CA

Oxnard, CA

Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2006; 6:30 – 9:30 PM
Location: Performing Arts Center, Oxnard Room
800 Hobson Way
Oxnard, CA

The public meetings will be structured to provide interested members of the public with an opportunity to present comments regarding the Revised Draft EIR. Speakers at the public meetings will be recognized in the following order: elected officials, public agencies, individuals or groups in the sign-up order, and anyone else who wishes to speak. Speakers may be asked to limit their oral comments to three (3) minutes to afford everyone an opportunity to speak. Written comments will also be accepted.

All public meeting spaces will be wheelchair-accessible. Spanish-speaking staff will also be in attendance to facilitate, as necessary, presentation of oral comments. Individuals may also request special accommodations for the hearing impaired for the public meetings. Contact Dwight E. Sanders, CSLC, at (916) 574-1880 or (sanderd@slc.ca.gov) if special accommodations are required. Requests should be made as soon as possible, but at least three (3) business days before the scheduled meeting. Include the name and telephone number of the contact person, the timelines for requesting accommodations, and a TDD number that can be used by individuals with hearing impairments. During the public meeting, speakers or members of the audience will not be authorized to set up any multimedia equipment (audio/video and/or projectors) or displays that would disrupt testimony of others.

It is not necessary to present comments at more than one meeting.

Potential Significant Impacts on the Environment: Subject areas under which the Revised DEIR discusses the potential for significant impacts on the environment are:

- Public Safety: Hazards and Risk Analysis
- Marine Traffic
- Aesthetics
- Agriculture and Soils
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources – Marine
- Biological Resources – Terrestrial
- Cultural Resources
- Energy and Minerals
- Geologic Resources and Hazards
- Hazardous Materials
- Land Use
- Noise and Vibration
- Recreation

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- Socioeconomics
- Transportation
- Water Quality and Sediments
- Environmental Justice
- Cumulative Impacts

Copies of the Revised Draft EIR are available for review at:

- **Albert H. Soliz Library**
2820 Jourdan Street, Oxnard, CA 93030
(805) 485-4515
- **Ray D. Prueter Library**
510 Park Avenue, Port Hueneme, CA 93041
(805) 486-5460
- **Main Library, Oxnard Public Libraries**
251 South A Street, Oxnard, CA 93030
(805) 385-7500
- **Valencia Library**
23743 West Valencia Boulevard, Valencia, CA 91355
(661) 259-8942
- **Malibu Community Library**
23519 West Civic Center Way, Malibu, CA 90265
(310) 456-6438

Copies of all documents referenced in the Revised Draft EIR are available for review at:
Ecology & Environment, Inc., 350 Sansome Street #300, San Francisco, CA 94104.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information pertaining to the proposed Cabrillo Port Project is available online at <http://dms.dot.gov>, <http://www.slc.ca.gov>, or www.cabrilloport.ene.com. Questions regarding the proposed Project or the license application process may be directed to Mark Prescott, Coast Guard, (202) 267-0225 (mprescott@comdt.uscg.mil), Keith Lesnick, MARAD, (202)366-1624 (Keith.Lesnick@marad.dot.gov) or Dwight E. Sanders, CSLC, (916) 574-1880 (sanderd@slc.ca.gov).